

**HAMPTON – NEWPORT NEWS
COMMUNITY CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOARD**

**Board Meeting Minutes
February 5, 2009**

Present:

The Honorable William Taylor, Chief Judge, Hampton Circuit Court
Andy Warriner, Director, Hampton-Newport News CJA
Joyce Sylvia, Hampton-Newport News CJA
Jean Troutman, Hampton Police Department
Sherree Davis, Hampton University Professor
Cecil Collier, Hampton-Newport News CJA
Dean Barker, Hampton-Newport News CSB
Tim Grimes, Hampton City Schools
Robert Moody, IV, NN Public Defender's Office
Mary Knight, Hampton Probation and Parole
Chuck Hall, Hampton-Newport News CSB
Patty Gilbertson, Hampton-Newport News CSB
Valla Olliver, Newport News Chief Magistrate
Lt. Randy Franklin, NNPD
Woody Griffin, Attorney
Julie White, Hampton-Newport News CJA
Pat Massenburg, Chief Magistrate, City of Hampton
John Haugh, Attorney- Hampton Commonwealths Attorney's Office
Jim Gochenour, Hampton Public Defender's Office
Alan Archer, Assistant City Manager, Newport News
Laura Dobson, NN Probation and Parole
Myrna Splan, NN Public Defender's Office

The CCJB meeting held at the Hampton-Newport News CSB was called to order by Andy Warriner. Mr. Warriner welcomed everyone to the meeting and announced that the new board Chairman, Alan Archer, had been detained but would join the meeting shortly.

In Mr. Archer's absence, Mr. Warriner skipped to item IV on the agenda. He introduced Ms. Sheila Daly, Certified Substance Abuse Counselor and Case Manager with the Hampton-Newport News CJA. Ms. Daly presented part of the substance abuse information she had shared at one of the CIT Training modules. Highlights included:

- Drug addiction is a brain disease that affects behavior
- Recovery from drug addiction requires effective treatment, followed by management of the problem over time
- Treatment must last long enough to produce stable behavioral changes
- Treatment should target factors that are associated with criminal behavior
- Medications are an important part of treatment for many drug abusing offenders

Ms. Daly also shared a video excerpt from HBO Addiction Series (2006), an interview with Dr. Nora Volkow, N.I.D.A. Director.

Next, Alan Archer welcomed everyone. He thanked Mary Bunting for her leadership in recent years. Then he thanked Andy Warriner and his staff for all their hard work and contributions to

the CCJB. Mr. Archer asked if there were any new members, and the Honorable William Taylor announced that he was the new Chief Judge in Hampton's Circuit Court and would now be attending the meetings.

Mr. Archer submitted the minutes of the previous meeting for review. No changes, additions or deletions were presented therefore the minutes were accepted.

Mr. Archer opened the floor to nominations for a Vice Chair for the CCJB. Andy Warriner nominated Jim Gochenour, and it was seconded. Since there were no more nominations, a vote was called and Mr. Gochenour was unanimously approved as Vice Chair.

Next, Dean Barker provided a CIT update. He distributed a list of all certified CIT officers, a CIT training schedule for 2009 and the curriculum for the Core training in February. The first train the trainer session successfully graduated 10 trainers from Hampton and Newport News in October of 2008. Also, the 2nd CIT Core training was held in December. To date, 51 officers (47 from Hampton and Newport News) have received the Core CIT training. He hopes to have the first dispatcher training session next month.

Mr. Barker mentioned going to the National CIT Conference last November. Good contacts were made with staff from Las Vegas and Miami/Dade County, and ideas were shared on ways to track CIT success and make improvements to our processes. He also discussed a revival of the CIT initiative out of Richmond. Three subcommittees have been developed, with Andy Warriner chairing the data collection subcommittee, someone from New River Valley chairing the administrative subcommittee, and Dean chairing the training subcommittee.

Dean also discussed working with the Hampton IT department to develop a CIT website. The website will be used to provide information to the community and to allow CIT officers to provide data as easy as possible by submitting call sheets online.

Two other announcements were made regarding CIT: first, the CIT grant has fully transitioned to the CCJB as the grant overseer, effective January 1, 2009; and second, the board was given a VCCJA award at their annual meeting last November for its work with CIT. Woody Griffin attended the conference and accepted the award on behalf of the board.

Andy Warriner told the board members that the sequential intercept mapping was on schedule to be held late April or early May. The mapping is used to follow someone through the system (dealing with police officers, the court system, district attorneys, the CJA, etc.) to see how all the agencies interact with each other and suggest ways to improve the system from the mental health consumers' standpoint. Management and line staff need to be involved for the process to work smoothly.

Chuck Hall announced that the Hampton-Newport News CSB is one of ten in the state to receive an ongoing Department of Mental Health's Jail Diversion Grant. The annualized \$304,000 award will be used to place case management and mental health therapists in Hampton and Newport News city jails. One clinical position was cut from their original proposal, so they will need to determine how to cover both jails with the remaining staff. This type of program has been very successful in other states.

Mr. Hall also mentioned there is \$250,000 available this fiscal year from DMHMRSAS for restoration to competency for inmates in HPRV. He will ask Jim Morris, Ph.D. of the department, to come to Hampton/Newport News to meet with the Public Defenders and Commonwealths regarding the restorations.

In the interest of time, the discussion of the Board's future direction and goals was deferred to the next Board meeting. Andy Warriner will send out the next meeting place and time once it has been scheduled.

The meeting was adjourned.